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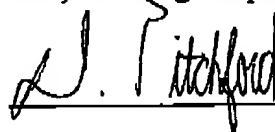
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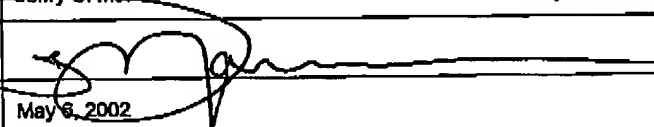
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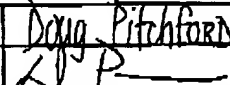
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103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20
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119	320	219	160	Notice of Appeal	
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121	280	221	140	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION
REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Election of Species Requirement mailed April 4, 2002, Applicants elect the claims of Group I for prosecution on the merits. By this election, Applicants do not accede to the propriety of the Restriction Requirement. The election is made solely for the purpose of expediting prosecution.

IN THE CLAIMS

Prior to examining the claims of the present application, please amend the claims. Cancel claims 5, 12, and 37-75. Add new claims 76-93. Please amend claims 1, 3, 8, 9, and 19-32 as shown below.

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1. (Once amended) A probe that is removably insertable into a mass spectrometer, the probe comprising a substrate having a surface coated with silicon oxide